IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE (Case No. 06-412)

In the Application of:)	
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Peter George Austin)	
)	Art Unit: 3763
Serial No.: 10/596,272)	
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Filing Date: June 7, 2006)	G
ý)	Confirmation No.: 4757
For: Retractable Syringe	Ś	

STATUS INQUIRY

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicant inquires as to the status of this application. The application was electronically filed on June 7, 2006. We have not received any communication from the USPTO. Applicant would appreciate receiving a telephone or written communication indicating when Applicant can expect official action on this application.

The status of the application as indicated on PAIR is that the application has been undergoing preexam processing since June 7, 2006. A predicted time for issuance of a first action is unavailable on PAIR.

Respectfully submitted,

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